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Biogas Production
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has taken any steps to prevent post-harvest burning of cane trash and ensure its usage to boost soil fertility, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether the Government is considering a dialogue with the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE) for the utilization of cane trash as a source for biogas production, if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

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(a): Crop residues including sugarcane trash can be used for the production of compost which can be applied as manure to improve soil health and fertility and also to prevent post-harvest burning.

(b): The compost produced from Pressmud is included in Fertilizer Control Order (FCO), vide this Ministry notification S.O. No 2776 (E) dated 10th October, 2015 as Bio-enriched compost. This enables production/ manufacture and use of such compost as manure and also for other purposes such as biogas production.

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